

1-13. (CANCELED)

14. (NEW) An ammunition projectile (10, 20) for a firearm, particularly a handgun, said projectile (10, 20) comprising a nose (11, 21) and a cap (12, 22), said nose (11, 21) is essentially conical in shape and comprises at least two hollow areas (14, 24) disposed essentially symmetrically in relation to one of an axis of said projectile or an axial plane, said hollow areas being curved from a first edge to a second edge.

15. (NEW) The projectile (10, 20) according to claim 14, wherein a base of said hollow areas (14, 24) is rounded.

16. (NEW) The projectile (10, 20) according to claim 15, wherein the hollow areas are formed of two curvilinear planes whose intersection is defined by a radial ridge.

17. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 14, wherein the nose (11) comprises a flat central portion (13).

18. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 17, wherein a diameter of said flat central portion (13) generally ranges from 10 to 50% of a diameter of the projectile (10) at a base of the nose (11) and preferably ranges from one-fourth to one-third of the diameter of said projectile (10).

19. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 14, wherein the nose and said cap comprise a cavity (15).

20. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 19, wherein the cavity (15) is designed to receive a blocking means (16).

21. (NEW) The projectile (10, 20) according to claim 14, wherein the projectile is made of soft metal.

22. (NEW) The projectile (10, 20) according to claim 21, wherein the projectile is made of copper.

23. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 20, wherein the blocking means (16) is made of hard metal.

24. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 23, wherein the blocking means (16) is made of steel.

25. (NEW) The projectile (10) according to claim 20, wherein the cavity (15) comprises a central zone (15b) that is at least partially threaded and said blocking means (16) is a bolt partially engaged in said central zone (15b).

26. (NEW) The projectile (10, 20) according to claim 14, wherein the projectile is formed of a piece of brass.